

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Judiciary Committee,

Please join me in ***OPPOSITION*** to SB16 and HB5416

In reading over the proposed legislation for S.B16 and HB5416, I have concerns as it relates to all of the restrictions being placed on permitted law-abiding citizens. These restrictions violate my right to appropriately defend myself at ALL times. As a firearm permitted and law-abiding citizen your focus of gun legislation is severely misguided. The Committee is encouraged to shift their focus from restricting law-abiding permitted citizens to those individuals who are committing crimes with guns. In an unpredictable world, one never knows where and when they may need to defend themselves from those looking to inflict serious bodily injury or death upon them. I ask how many gun crimes are committed by permitted law abiding citizens versus criminals in illegal possession of a firearm? Laws mean nothing to criminals so proposing SB16 and HB5416 only serves to restrict law abiding citizens from protecting themselves appropriately. Please do not support SB16 and HB5416.

I am a logical and rationale individual. I believe certain laws that do not impede my ability to defend myself and my family are appropriate. Therefore:

I ***SUPPORT*** Raised S.B. No. 388 – *AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFENSE OF A PERSON OR A PERSON'S DWELLING, PLACE OF WORK OR MOTOR VEHICLE.*

I ***SUPPORT*** Raised H.B. No. 5415 – *AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF ASSAULT WEAPONS AND LARGE CAPACITY MAGAZINES.*

I ***SUPPORT*** Raised H.B. No. 5412 – *AN ACT CONCERNING THE DUTY TO RETREAT IN A RELIGIOUS HOUSE OF WORSHIP.*

Sincerely,

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